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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS AM Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper responds to the Office action dated December 28, 2005 for the above-identified U.S. patent application. Enclosed is a request and fee for a three month extension of time, extending the date for timely response to June 28, 2006.

Substitute specification is attached hereto and includes a version submitted that includes markings showing all changes relative to the immediate prior version of the specification of record and a clean version (without markings).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 10 of this paper and include annotated sheets, and replacement sheets as part of the substitute specification.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.